

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

West Fertilizer Company dba Adair Grain, Inc. Incident Situation Report #37 May 5, 2013

Subject: April 17, 2013 Explosion at West Fertilizer Company dba Adair Grain, Inc.

Location: 1471 Jerry Mashek Drive, West (McLennan County), TX 76691

This report covers activities conducted during the operational period, beginning May 5, 2013 at 0700 hours through May 5, 2013, 1500 hours.

1. David Mann (Waco Region) (SOSC), and Jeff Kunze (Waco Region) (MCC) staffed this operational period until 1900 hours on May 5, 2013.
2. TCEQ contractors conducted air monitoring this operational period. Contractor staff included OMI (7 staff), CTEH (4 staff), and SWS (4 staff) until 1500 hours on May 5, 2013.
3. The focus for this operational period is continued air monitoring. There continues to be no emissions above action levels.
4. Specific chemicals being monitored by CTEH included volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and ammonia.
5. A Debris Management meeting was held today at 1500 hours with FEMA staff and the City Council. The meeting took place in the Knights of Columbus building. Plans are moving forward to use the old landfill facility as a debris management site. TCEQ's David Mann requested the Council to submit a letter of intent with their completed debris management application. The City Council was agreeable and will submit the letter and application early this week.
6. The household hazardous waste (HHW) collection event continued today at 0800 hours at 1329 North Davis Street. The event is being conducted by OMI with TCEQ oversight. Citizens have been dropping off HHW throughout the day. As requested by the TCEQ and OMI contractors, the City of West signed a third party authorization for the special waste disposal from this event.
7. Commissioner Rubinstein conducted a brief tour of the affected area with David Mann at approximately 1430 hours.